

Tools for Engagement: Game

KaBoom

At a Glance...

This game is designed to allow students to explore financial vocabulary and serves as an energizer for slow days.

Time Required: 15-20 minutes

Objectives:

To engage students with content

Materials needed:

whiteboard and markers (optional)
ball or passing stick (optional)

Prep:

Instructions:

Ask students to stand in a circle. If using a ball or other object to pass, explain the ball will be passed around the circle to mark turns. This is purely optional. The first person to take a turn will think of a financial term or vocabulary word from class. They will state the word. The next person in the circle must then state a word (again a financial term) that begins with the the end-letter of the first word.

For example, if the first word is *taxes*, the second must begin with *s*. The second word to be stated by the next student in the circle could be *statement* (as in bank statement). The third word must then begin with *t*. The first round of words might look like this: *taxes* > *statement* > *ten-spot* > *trustee* > *escrow* > *w2 form*.

Each student is allowed to pass once. If they need to pass a second time, they are out of the game. Each time someone leaves the game a letter is written on the board. The first letter is *K*. This continues until all letters of *K A B O O M* are used and that ends the game. The game can be shortened by not allowing passes. If a student can't come up with a word they are out and a letter of *KaBoom* is written on the board.

All words used in the game must relate to financial topics in some way. The facilitator determines the appropriateness of words used.

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